Amount spent in beekeeping by KVIC and other Government institutions

2463. SHRI GYAN RANJAN: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount spent on beekeeping by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission and other such Government institutions during the last three years;

(b) whether any survey has been conducted to find out the scope of development and conservation of beekeeping industry in Bihar; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Details of the disbursement made by the KVIC for the development of Beekeeping industry for the last three years are as under:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Grant	Loan
1993-94	19.90	54.62
1994-95	9.63	43.10
1995-96	43.18	112.72

(b) and (c) No specific survey has been conducted in the recent past to find out the scope for development and conservation of beekeeping industry in Bihar State. However, the development and extension programmes for beekeeping industry are being undertaken through directly aided institutions of the KVIC in Bihar.

Amendment Proposed in the Sugar Production order, 1977

2464. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Sugar Production Order of 1977 limits the production of sugar and has become obsolete in view of advancement of machines and other infrastructure in the sugar industry which has increased the production manifold;

(b) if so, whether any study has been made with a view to suggesting amendments in the present status; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and by when the amending provisions are likely to be announced?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV): (a) The production of sugar in any sugar factory is dependent on its licensed capacity.

(b) and (c) The issue of delicensing of Sugar Industry is under consideration of the Government.

गुजरात में निर्यातोन्मुखी एककः

2465. श्री चीमनभाई हरीभाई शुक्लाः क्या वाणिज्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे किः

(क) गुजरात में कितने निर्यातोन्मुखी एककों की स्थापना की गयी है और इनकी निर्यात संबंधी प्रतिबद्धताओं का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ख) उन एककों का ब्यौरा क्या है जो निर्यात से अर्जित आय से अपनी निर्यात प्रतिबद्धताओं को पूरा करने में सक्षम रहे हैं;

(ग) उन एककों का ब्यौरा क्या है जो अपनी निर्यात प्रतिबद्धताओं को पूरा नहीं कर पाए हैं और इसके क्या कारण हैं; और

(घ) इन निर्यातोन्मुखी एककों के कार्य निष्पादन पर निगरानी रखने और इन्हें अपनी निर्यात प्रतिबद्धताओं को पूरा करने योग्य बनाने हेतु सरकार द्वारा क्या-क्या कदम उठाये गये हैं?

वाणिज्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री बोल्ला बुल्ली रामैया): (क) से (घ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Two million jobs scheme introduced by KVIC in Maharashtra

2466. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the two million jobs scheme has been introduced by the Khadi and Village Industries Commission in the State of Maharashtra;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of jobs provided so far under the scheme in the State, particularly in Nagpur;

(d) whether Government have assessed the progress of the scheme in the State; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) Yes, Sir. Based on the High Power Committee's recommendations, KVIC has already introduced schemes for creeting two million additional jobs throughout the country including Maharashtra.

(b) In Maharashtra, nine blocks, namely 1. Mangalnedha 2. Kej 3. Malegaon 4. Jannar, 5. Selekesa 6. Ramtek, 7. Kalamb 8. Chikaldhara and 9. Seloo have been selected under the 125 blocks programme for employment generation. Under the District Special Employment Programme, 5 districts, namely 1. Chandrapur 2. Yavatmal, 3. Raigarh & Ratnagir 4. Beed and 5. Nanded have been identified. In additon to this, a few National Programmes on Leather, Handmade Paper, Beekeeping and Pottery and a few special projects are also being taken up in the State by the KVIC.

(c) Under the scheme, 273 jobs have already been generated in the State during 1995-96. In Nagpur district, 200 jobs have been provided.

(d) and (e) KVIC has reviewed the progress of implementation of the scheme in the State at the time of budget discussions with the State KVI boards and the implementing agencies. During the year 1995-96, the production of khadi and village industries together in the State stands at Rs. 716.68 crores. As on 31.3.1996, KVIC has provided employment to 4.74 lakh persons in the State through development of khadi and village industry.

List of Backward Communities for inclusion in SC/ST List

2467. SHRI JOYANTA ROY: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a list of socially, economically and educationally backward communities of different State as recommended by the respective State Governments for inclusion in the list of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes is pending for a long time; and

(b) if so, the reasons thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA): (a) Recommendations have been received from State Governments from time to time for the inclusion of various communities in their respective lists of Scheduled Casts and Scheduled Tribes, and some of these are pending since long.

(b) The determination of claims and recommendations for inclusion involves consideration of several complex factors, including region-specific study of the characteristics of each community in the light of the criteria followed for scheduling, and consultation with various agencies. Under Articles 341 (2) and 342 (2) of the Constitution, any modification in the existing lists can be effected only through legislation.

Profits earned by NALCO

2468. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Aluminium Company Ltd. (NALCO) has been earning profit;

(b) if so, the total dividend earned by NALCO during the last three years;

(c) the steps taken by NALCO to provide employment to the local people during the above period; and

(d) the vacancies filled up against posts reserved for SC/ST and OBC categories in those years?